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Sir:

At the request of Examiner Walls, attached is a newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in the above-identified application.

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